

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2159–S2178*

**Measures Introduced:** Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 801–806, and S. Res. 108. **Page S2175**

**Measures Passed:**

*Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act:* Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 544, to amend Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 to modify the termination date for the Veterans Choice Program, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S2163–64**

*Delta Queen:* By 85 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 102), Senate passed S. 89, to amend title 46, United States Code, to exempt old vessels that only operate within inland waterways from the fire-retardant materials requirement if the owners of such vessels make annual structural alterations to at least 10 percent of the areas of the vessels that are not constructed of fire-retardant materials. **Pages S2159–63, S2164–68**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to principles for reforming the military selective service process; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–5) **Page S2174**

**Duke Nomination—Agreement:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Elaine C. Duke, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security. **Page S2168**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, with the time until 12 noon equally divided in the usual form; that at 12 noon, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with no intervening action or debate; and that following disposition of the nomination, Senate recess until 2:15 p.m. **Page S2178**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S2174–75**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S2178**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—102) **Page S2168**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3:01 p.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2178.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Neil M. Gorsuch, of Colorado, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and Rod J. Rosenstein, of Maryland, to be Deputy Attorney General, and Rachel L. Brand, of Iowa, to be Associate Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice.